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Mr. John G. Morgan, Secretary

Dear Mr. Morgan:

State Funding Board

Sections 9-6-201 and 202, Tennessee Code Annotated state that the Funding Board may secure from the Tennessee Econometric Model the estimated rate of growth of the state's economy as measured by the forecast change in Tennessee personal income. Personal income is defined by the United States Department of Commerce. Major assumptions and the methodology used in arriving at the estimates are to be provided as well. This background information to our forecast is included in the Economic Report to the Governor, January 2007.

We report the following to you:

| | Personal Income (in | Percentage | Index |
|---------------|---------------------|------------|--------------|
| Calendar Year | Millions) | Growth | (1977 = 100) |
| 1977 | 26,795 | 11.16 | 100.00 |
| 1978 | 30,593 | 14.17 | 114.17 |
| 1979 | 34,236 | 11.91 | 127.77 |
| 1980 | 37,9 94 | 10.98 | 141.79 |
| 1981 | 42,404 | 11.61 | 158.25 |
| 1982 | 45,249 | 6.71 | 168.87 |
| 1983 | 48,130 | 6.37 | 179.62 |
| 1984 | 53,966 | 12.13 | 201.40 |
| 1985 | 57,984 | 7.44 | 216.40 |
| 1986 | 61,771 | 6.53 | 230.53 |
| 1987 | 66,412 | 7.51 | 247.85 |
| 1988 | 71,640 | 7.87 | 267.36 |
| 1989 | 76,859 | 7.28 | 286.84 |
| 1990 | 81,700 | 6.30 | 304.91 |
| 1991 | 85,914 | 5.16 | 320.63 |
| 1992 | 93,807 | 9.19 | 350.09 |
| 1993 | 99,074 | 5.61 | 369.74 |
| 1994 | 105,846 | 6.84 | 395.02 |
| 1995 | 112,793 | 6.56 | 420.94 |
| 1996 | 118,374 | 4.95 | 441.77 |
| 1997 | 124,699 | 5.34 | 465.38 |
| 1998 | 133,620 | 7.15 | 498.67 |
| 1999 | 140,395 | 5.07 | 523.95 |
| 2000 | 148,833 | 6.01 | 555.45 |
| 2001 | 154,416 | 3.75 | 576.28 |
| 2002 | 159,173 | 3.08 | 594.03 |
| 2003 | 165,622 | 4.05 | 618.10 |
| 2004 | 174,727 | 5.50 | 652.08 |
| 2005 | 184,567 | 5.63 | 688.80 |
| 2006 | 195,656 | 6.01 | 730.19 |
| 2007 | 206,336 | 5.46 | 770.04 |
| 2008 | 218,181 | 5.74 | 814.25 |

We would be pleased to discuss the economic forecast with you in detail.

Best regards,

William F. Fox

Director